

I think aviation has a larger more systemic problem. We do not need more regulations; We need better pilot training. Hours don't equal training or quality. A 200 pilot pilot who went through Embry-Riddle's Aviation Program is much more qualified than a 1,000 hour pilot who spent the entire time in the pattern in a C-152. Pilot error = poor pilot training. Why are flight instructors the least respected, sometimes the least qualified (hours) and most underpaid in the entire industry? It the job of the flight instructor to train ALL pilots. So why must they hold down two jobs to eat? It's not uncommon for a 200 hour pilot to TRAIN a 0 time pilot. By the time the 0 time pilot becomes a CFI, his instructor has left. Now he's in charge. The cycle of poor training continues. A pilot is only as good as his/her training. Let's go to the root of the problem and cure the illness instead of just medicating the symptoms. This regulation is unnecessary and only serves to dillute our already failing aviation economy. Help us, don't hurt us.